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RULYSGG/USS INCHON - CAPT. GREIWE
RULYSGG/USS SPRUANCE - CMDR. CORMACK

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TO REAR ADMIRAL SAGERHOLM FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652 N/A
SUBJECT: VISIT TO LIBERIA OF USN TASK GROUP 216 (UQS INCHON
AND USS SPRUANCE)

THIS MESSAGE SENDS TO YOU AND THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF TASK
GROUP 21.6 MY HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS FOR A MISSION
SUPERBLY PERFORMED DURING YOUR VISIT TO MONROVIA FEBRUARY
9 - 12. AS YOU, CAPTAIN GREIWE OF THE INCHON AND COMMANDER
CORMACK OF THE SPRUANCE UNDOUBTEDLY SENSED, THE LIBERIAN
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GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE WERE DEEPLY PLEASED BY THIS VISIT AND
CONSIDER IT A SINGULARLY PERSUASIVE WAY OF EMPHASIZING THE
BOND OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. YOUR OWN PERSONAL
MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT TOLBERT AND HIS CABINET WERE ON TARGET
AND YOU QUICKLY GAINED THEIR RESPECT AND ADMIRATION. THE
AMERICAN COMMUNITY, OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE, ALSO APPRECIATED THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO BE REMINDED OF THE PROUD TRADITIONS OF THE U.S.

NAVY AND MARINE CORPS. MY THANKS GO TO THE SPLENDID NAVY
CEREMONIAL BAND; THE U.S. MARINE DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS AND
COMBO; THE COLOR GUARD AND MARINE PARADE UNITS; THE
ATHLETIC TEAMS; THE MARINE VERTICAL ASSAULT TEAM; THE
HELICOPTER CREWS; TO THE MEN ABOARD SHIP WHO HOSTED THE CROWDS
OF VISITORS; AND NOT LEAST TO ALL THE MEN -- SAILORS AND MARINES
-- WHO ON THE STREETS OF MONROVIA CONDUCTED THEMSELVES AS
AMBASSADORS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. YOU CAN BE SURE THAT FOR
LIBERIANS AND AMERICANS ALIKE YOUR EARLY RETURN IS MUCH HOPED
FOR. I TRUST YOU WILL HAVE THE SUCCESS IN ALL YOUR PORTS OF
CALL AND FAIR WEATHER ALL THE WAY.
CARTER

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